

IIB. Pre-MBA Global Pathway Program (GPP) Options - Draft Updated 16 Jan 2018

For AY 2018-19: estimated intake new students ≈23

Requires U.S. Bachelors equivalent and minimum 2.5 gpa

Western Global Pathway for MBA Students – each level to include 18 hours minimum/week of instruction; summer start only for MBA classes:

3 quarter pathway IELTS 5.0 / TOEFL iBT 50 Versant - TBD	▶	2 quarter pathway IELTS 5.5 / TOEFL iBT 60 Versant - TBD	▶	1 quarter pathway IELTS 6.0 / TOEFL iBT 70 Versant - TBD <i>ALEKS Math Assessment</i>	▲Full Matric ▼	Summer Session <i>MBA starting 2019</i> GPP students who complete all level 6 classes with a 2.7+*
Level 4 IEP (18-22 hr) Reading Writing Grammar Listening/Speaking	▶	Level 5 IEP (15 hr) Reading Writing Listening/Speaking ▼ plus ▼ Business ESL (5 hr)	▶	Level 6 IEP MKTG 488 – (4 hr) <i>Marketing</i> MATH 157 – (4 hr) <i>Bus Calculus</i> ACCT 240 – (4 hr) <i>Finan Acct</i> ▼ plus ▼ Business ESL (5hr) Additional IEP to =18-20 <i>To be completed during GPP:</i> (1) Personal Statement (2) Resume		MBA Program Classes

- Western’s MBA program will be a 5 quarter program **starting in the summer** of 2019 ▶ *summer/fall/winter/spring/summer*.
- There will be GPP student intake in Fall, Winter, Spring for 1, 2 and 3-quarter *pre-MBA* pathways.
- While students could enter the language program during summer term (i.e. pre-pathway level students), they need to understand the sequence of language study that leads to starting MBA courses in the summer, following the completion of level 6 spring term.
- Pre-arrival advising is essential for prospective GPP-MBA students in order to assure that they are prepared to complete level 6 prior to the start of the MBA program each summer. A student's study plan is typically determined by her/his English placement upon arrival and can be longer/shorter than her/his original study plan in the offer letter. The MBA program would like to explore the potential for Skype interviews to assure that students come to campus with a plan-of-study that aligns with the summer start of the MBA program.
- Pathway students must earn a 2.0 in IEP coursework in order to advance to the next level.
- *For the first intake of Pre-MBA Pathway students, students must complete IEP level 6 with a minimum 2.0 GPA in Intensive English coursework and a minimum 2.7 GPA in MKTG 488, MATH 157, and ACCT 240 in order to fully matriculate into Western’s MBA program.
- *Pathway students who pass all of the level 6 academic content courses with a C- or better (ex: C+/C/C-) *may* petition the MBA director to be allowed into summer session MBA classes with a **Provisional Status**; and must earn a 3.0 GPA in their first 16 credits, per Graduate School policy, to continue in the program.
- Student are required to complete their study plans consecutively without skipping a term unless under advisement.
- GMAT: While the GMAT is not required for GPP students, those wishing to be considered for a graduate assistantship must take the GMAT exam in order to apply for this award, as assistantships are awarded in part on a competitive basis based on GMAT scores.

- Online courses will not be part of the pathway program.
- To ensure equity, MKTG 488, MATH 157 and ACCT 240 could be used in the future as a basis for a domestic pathway program.